IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1.   (Currently Amended) An apparatus, comprising:

a client coupled to a plurality of resources and computing tasks on <u>application</u> servers located on a network; ~~and~~

<u>a system in which software applications reside on application servers and clients share and access the applications executing on application servers via a network; and</u>

a system to control client access to said plurality of resources and computing tasks on <u>application</u> servers, the system including

a database to store a <u>at least one</u> policy criteria associated with a user;

a license manager to generate a token according to an allocated access session based on said <u>at least one</u> policy criteria associated with the user; and

a<u>n application</u> server based token monitor to initiate and terminate access of <u>application</u> server resources and <u>application</u> server computing tasks according to said token.

2.   (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the allocated access session is based on said <u>at least one</u> policy criteria associated with said plurality of resources.

3.   (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the <u>at least one</u> policy criteria includes a combination of different policy criterion.

4.   (Previously Presented)   The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said allocated access session is associated with the user.

5. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the token monitor includes a criteria evaluator that notifies the token monitor if said criteria is triggered.

6. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 5, wherein the criteria evaluator includes a calendar and said criterion triggered includes a specific period including at least one member selected from the group consisting of a certain day of a week, a certain day of a month, a certain month, a certain week, or a certain number of days.

7. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 5, wherein the criteria evaluator includes a counter and said criterion triggered includes at least one number selected from the group consisting of a number of user access, a number of files produced, a number of files opened, a number of files saved, and a number of pages printed.

8. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 5, wherein the criteria evaluator includes a timer and said criterion triggered includes at least one time selected from the group consisting of a time of day, a time interval in a day, and a specific time on a specific day.

9. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a secondary access database that provides for token creation when initial allocated access sessions are depleted.

10. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a notification component to alert the user when initial allocated access sessions reach a pre-selected level.

11. (Currently Amended) A method for managing user access to <u>application</u> server resources and/or <u>application</u> server computing tasks on a distributed computing system network comprising:

creating one or more <u>application</u> server resource and/or <u>application</u> server computing task access sessions by a system administrator, wherein said one or more <u>application</u> server resource and/or <u>application</u> server computing task access sessions are assigned to a specific user and stored on a database;

verifying a user resource request from the specific user against associated assigned <u>application</u> server resource and/or <u>application</u> server computing task access sessions by a license manager; and

generating a token corresponding to said <u>application</u> server resource and/or <u>application</u> server computing task access sessions for the specific user by said license manager, wherein the token enables through a<u>n application</u> server based token manager, the specific user to initiate access of <u>application</u> server resources and/or <u>computing tasks executing on an</u> application server ~~computing tasks~~ as well as terminate access of <u>application</u> server resources and/or <u>computing tasks executing on an application</u> server ~~computing tasks~~ on the distributed computing system network.

12. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 11, wherein creation of resource access sessions is based on user licensing criteria.

13. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 11, wherein creation of resource access sessions is based on application licensing criteria.

14. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 11, further comprising creating

secondary resource access sessions for token generation when initial resource access sessions are depleted.

15. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 11, wherein the token generated enables resource access for a segment of a whole resource access session.

16. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15, further comprising generating a new token when access for said segment is depleted and additional access remains in the whole resource access session.

17. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 11, further comprising:

notifying the specific user when initial resource access sessions reach a pre-selected level; and

renewing by the specific user said initial resource access sessions.

18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 17, wherein the specific user utilizes a secondary access session.

19. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 11, further comprising:

monitoring a license criterion of said token; and

terminating user access when said license criterion is triggered.